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Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 17th plenary meeting, on 20 September 2005, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixtieth session the item entitled "Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 12th to 16th, 21st, 23rd to 26th, 29th to 31st and 33rd to 36th meetings, on 25 to 28 and 31 October, 8, 14, 18, 21 and 22 November and 12, 14, 16, 19 to 21 and 23 December 2005. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/60/SR.12-16, 21, 23-26, 29-31 and 33-36).

3. At the 12th meeting, on 25 October, introductory statements were made by the Secretary-General, the Acting Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on behalf of the Chairman of the Committee (see A/C.5/60/SR.12).

4. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

Proposed programme budget

Reports of the Secretary-General:

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007[1]

[1] A/60/6 (Introduction), (Sects. 1-35), (Sect.13)/Add.1, (Income sects. 1-3) and A/60/6/Corr.1-5.

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Review of the regular programme of technical cooperation and the Development Account (A/59/397)

Revised estimates to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 under sections 1, 8, 28A and 35 and income section 1 (A/60/303)

Suspension of recruitment for posts in the General Service and related categories (A/60/363)

2005 World Summit Outcome: revised estimates (A/60/537)

Implementation of decisions from the 2005 World Summit Outcome for Action by the Secretary-General; ethics office; comprehensive review of governance arrangements, including an independent external evaluation of the auditing and oversight system; and the independent audit advisory committee (A/60/568 and Corr.1 and 2)

Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007[2]

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the work of its forty-fifth session[3]

Letter dated 9 December 2005 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/60/19)

International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO

Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed programme budget for the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/60/6 (Sect.13) and Add.1)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.16 and Corr.1)

Capital master plan

Reports of the Secretary-General (A/60/550 and Corr.1 and 2 and Add.1)

Report of the Board of Auditors[4]

Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the capital master plan for the period from August 2004 to July 2005 (A/60/288)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.12)

Administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

Report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board (A/60/183)

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[2] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Supplement No. 7* and corrigendum (A/60/7 and Corr.1) and A/60/7/Add.1-5, 13 and Corr.1 and 2, 14, 15, 16 and Corr.1, 17-21, 22 and Corr.1 and 26-30.

[3] Ibid., *Supplement No. 16* and corrigendum (A/60/16 and Corr.1).

[4] Ibid., *Supplement No. 5* (A/60/5 (Vol. V)).

Report of the Secretary-General on the administrative and financial implications arising from the report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board (A/C.5/60/18)

Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.7 and Add. 22 and Corr.1)

Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.8)

Note by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/60/3)

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its resumed organizational and first substantive sessions of 2005

Report of the Secretary-General (A/60/396)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.5)

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council

Report of the Secretary-General (A/60/585)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.24)

Construction of additional office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa

Report of the Secretary-General (A/60/532)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.21)

Possibility of operating guided tours, bookstores and gift shops at the United Nations Office at Nairobi and the cost implications thereof

Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/793)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions[5]

Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2005

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly (A/60/421 and Corr.1)

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[5] Ibid., *Supplement No. 7* and corrigendum (A/60/7 and Corr.1) paras. VIII.72 and VIII.73.

Report of the International Civil Service Commission for the year 2005[6]

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.3)

Financial viability of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research

Report of the Secretary-General (A/60/360)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.4)

Ethics office; comprehensive review of the governance arrangements, including an independent external evaluation of the auditing and oversight systems; and the independent audit advisory committee

Report of the Secretary-General (A/60/568 and Corr.1 and 2)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.23).

Contingency fund

Report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/60/25)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.31)

Effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation

Report of the Secretary-General (A/60/599)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7/Add.32)

5. At its 36th meeting, on 23 December, in accordance with the guidelines for the use of the contingency fund (see the annex to General Assembly resolution 42/211 of 21 December 1987), the Committee considered a consolidated statement of programme budget implications and revised estimates that were subject to the criteria for the use of the contingency fund (A/C.5/60/25) and the related report of the Advisory Committee (A/60/7/Add.31). After due consideration, the Committee decided to recommend a change in respect of the programme budget implications relating to assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence (A/C.5/60/L.22 sect. F, and A/60/7/Add.26). Accordingly, the Committee decided to recommend revised estimates totalling $22,234,000 in respect of charges to the contingency fund (see A/C.5/60/SR.36).

6. The table below summarizes the recommendations of the Fifth Committee for each section of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007. The recommendations are based on the proposals of the Secretary-General,[1] the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions thereon,[2] revised estimates submitted by the Secretary-General and the appropriations required for the implementation of resolutions adopted by the General Assembly at its current session.

[6] Ibid., *Supplement No. 30* (A/60/30), annex VI.

Summary of the recommendations of the Fifth Committee on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Amount approved	*Total*
A. Expenditure sections		
1. Overall policymaking, direction and coordination		
Proposed programme budget	65 813.6	
Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget	(519.5)	
Financial implications:		
A strengthened and revitalized General Assembly	823.3	
Report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board	1 079.0	
Revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	2 832.4	
Revised estimates relating to the administration of justice at the United Nations	1 817.3	
Rights of the child	2 890.2	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	656.0	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(578.8)	
Total, section 1		**74 813.5**
2. General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management		
Proposed programme budget	590 129.9	
Financial implications:		
Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities	111.4	
Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women	8 689.8	
Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries	223.2	
Transparency in armaments	654.8	
Absorption of conference-servicing costs in the context of the consolidated statement of charges to the contingency fund	(689.8)	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(9 708.4)	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(2 634.7)	
Total, section 2		**586 776.2**

	Amount approved	*Total*
3. *Political affairs*		
Proposed programme budget	429 369.7	
Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(20.0)	
Financial implications: revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	2 453.4	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	409.7	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(185.9)	
Total, section 3		**432 026.9**
4. *Disarmament*		
Proposed programme budget	19 868.4	
Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(28.3)	
Financial implications: transparency in armaments	350.0	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	269.2	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(78.2)	
Total, section 4		**20 381.1**
5. *Peacekeeping operations*		
Proposed programme budget	97 300.2	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(2 498.0)	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(711.2)	
Total, section 5		**94 091.0**
6. *Peaceful uses of outer space*		
Proposed programme budget	6 313.5	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(398.6)	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(8.1)	
Total, section 6		**5 906.8**
7. *International Court of Justice*		
Proposed programme budget	36 962.3	
Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(16.1)	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(1 598.7)	

		Amount approved	*Total*
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(390.6)	
	Total, section 7		**34 956.9**
8.	*Legal affairs*		
	Proposed programme budget	43 872.0	
	Financial implications: revised estimates relating to the administration of justice at the United Nations	(1 688.3)	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	264.2	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(158.5)	
	Total, section 8		**42 289.4**
9.	*Economic and social affairs*		
	Proposed programme budget	154 145.3	
	Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(185.3)	
	Financial implications:		
	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women	739.6	
	International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women	1 042.2	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	2 648.9	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(459.8)	
	Total, section 9		**157 930.9**
10.	*Least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States*		
	Proposed programme budget	4 998.4	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	72.3	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(13.9)	
	Total, section 10		**5 056.8**
11.	*United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development*		
	Proposed programme budget	10 322.2	
	Financial implications: revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	325.4	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	200.1	

		Amount approved	*Total*
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(55.8)	
	Total, section 11		**10 791.9**
12.	*Trade and development*		
	Proposed programme budget	120 378.7	
	Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(486.0)	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(8 546.2)	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(254.9)	
	Total, section 12		**111 091.6**
13.	*International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO*		
	Proposed programme budget	26 001.9	
	Proposed programme budget for the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO (A/60/6/13/Add.1)	730.1	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(816.2)	
	Total, section 13		**25 915.8**
14.	*Environment*		
	Proposed programme budget	12 113.0	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(120.6)	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(15.3)	
	Total, section 14		**11 977.1**
15.	*Human settlements*		
	Proposed programme budget	17 966.5	
	Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(146.0)	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	80.4	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(36.4)	
	Total, section 15		**17 864.5**
16.	*International drug control, crime prevention and criminal justice*		
	Proposed programme budget	33 043.8	
	Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(92.1)	
	Financial implications: revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	758.5	

		Amount approved	*Total*
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(2 023.1)	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(159.3)	
	Total, section 16		**31 527.8**
17.	*Economic and social development in Africa*		
	Proposed programme budget	102 358.2	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	4 162.0	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(508.8)	
	Total, section 17		**106 011.4**
18.	*Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific*		
	Proposed programme budget	69 233.6	
	Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(88.4)	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	2 936.5	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(223.6)	
	Total, section 18		**71 858.1**
19.	*Economic development in Europe*		
	Proposed programme budget	58 586.3	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(4 351.3)	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(58.3)	
	Total, section 19		**54 176.7**
20.	*Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean*		
	Proposed programme budget	92 717.4	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	2 292.4	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(379.4)	
	Total, section 20		**94 630.4**
21.	*Economic and social development in Western Asia*		
	Proposed programme budget	53 651.0	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(37.7)	

		Amount approved	*Total*
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(196.4)	
	Total, section 21		**53 416.9**
22.	*Regular programme of technical cooperation*		
	Proposed programme budget	44 860.0	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	762.0	
	Total, section 22		**45 622.0**
23.	*Human rights*		
	Proposed programme budget	67 493.2	
	Financial implications: revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	21 385.0	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(5 274.9)	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(514.9)	
	Total, section 23		**83 088.4**
24.	*Protection of and assistance to refugees*		
	Proposed programme budget	67 305.2	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(2 660.0)	
	Total, section 24		**64 645.2**
25.	*Palestine refugees*		
	Proposed programme budget	36 973.7	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(1 788.7)	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(0.2)	
	Total, section 25		**35 184.8**
26.	*Humanitarian assistance*		
	Proposed programme budget	26 622.3	
	Financial implications: proposed post reclassification from D-1 to D-2	28.4	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(423.1)	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(87.1)	
	Total, section 26		**26 140.5**
27.	*Public information*		
	Proposed programme budget	172 739.5	

	Amount approved	*Total*
Financial implications:		
Holocaust remembrance	345.2	
Rwanda outreach programme	196.2	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	5 018.6	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(997.0)	
Total, section 27		**177 302.5**
28A. Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Management		
Proposed programme budget	11 973.7	
Financial implications:		
Revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	4 303.3	
Revised estimates relating to the administration of justice at the United Nations	740.8	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	319.9	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(144.5)	
Total, section 28A		**17 193.2**
28B. Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts		
Proposed programme budget	31 076.7	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	628.0	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(48.2)	
Total, section 28B		**31 556.5**
28C. Office of Human Resources Management		
Proposed programme budget	62 444.7	
Financial implications: revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	225.2	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	1 318.6	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(643.0)	
Total, section 28C		**63 345.5**
28D. Office of Central Support Services		
Proposed programme budget	243 408.5	
Financial implications:		
Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women	89.9	

	Amount approved	*Total*
Revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	1 870.0	
Transparency in armaments	21.6	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	5 112.9	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(4 065.6)	
Total, section 28D		**246 437.3**
28E. Administration, Geneva		
Proposed programme budget	104 592.6	
Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(59.4)	
Financial implications:		
Financial viability of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research	242.4	
Revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	1 209.7	
Transparency in armaments	3.1	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(4 788.5)	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(917.7)	
Total, section 28E		**100 282.2**
28F. Administration, Vienna		
Proposed programme budget	34 651.3	
Financial implications: revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	375.6	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(1 271.7)	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(172.7)	
Total, section 28F		**33 582.5**
28G Administration, Nairobi		
Proposed programme budget	18 393.9	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	592.4	
Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(107.7)	
Total, section 28G		**18 878.6**
29. Internal oversight		
Proposed programme budget	26 132.9	
Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(338.9)	

		Amount approved	*Total*
	Financial implications: revised estimates relating to the 2005 World Summit Outcome	5 910.1	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(188.9)	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(185.1)	
	Total, section 29		**31 330.1**
30.	*Jointly financed administrative activities*		
	Proposed programme budget	11 392.2	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(213.4)	
	Total, section 30		**11 178.8**
31.	*Special expenses*		
	Proposed programme budget	95 553.8	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(328.1)	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(2 427.7)	
	Total, section 31		**92 798.0**
32.	*Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance*		
	Proposed programme budget	72 194.8	
	Financial implications: construction of additional office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa	3 671.5	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	929.7	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(1 954.7)	
	Total, section 32		**74 841.3**
33.	*Safety and security*		
	Proposed programme budget	184 239.6	
	Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	6 511.4	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on non-post resources	(619.6)	
	Total, section 33		**190 131.4**
34.	*Development Account*		
	Proposed programme budget	13 065.0	
	Fifth Committee recommendation on the Development Account	889.1	
	Total, section 34		**13 954.1**

	Amount approved	*Total*
35. Staff assessment		
Proposed programme budget	433 529.4	
Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(193.4)	
Financial implications	5 051.2	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(40 559.3)	
Total, section 35		**397 827.9**
Total expenditure sections		**3 798 912.5**
B. Income sections		
1. Income from staff assessment		
Proposed programme budget	437 938.9	
Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget	(193.4)	
Financial implications	5 051.2	
Recosting	(41 061.9)	
Total, income section 1		**401 734.8**
2. General income		
Proposed programme budget	21 074.3	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(207.3)	
Total, income section 2		**20 867.0**
3. Services to the public		
Proposed programme budget	5 445.2	
Recosting of the proposed programme budget, financial implications and related recommendations of the Advisory Committee	(691.8)	
Total, income section 3		**4 753.4**
Total, income sections		**427 355.2**

II. Consideration of proposals on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

A. Draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.25

7. At its 36th meeting, on 23 December, the Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.25, entitled "Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007", submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations.

8. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.25 without a vote (see para. 56, draft resolution I).

9. After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic in explanation of position (see A/C.5/60/SR.36).

B. Draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.26

10. At its 36th meeting, on 23 December, the Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.26, entitled "Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007", submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations.

11. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.26 without a vote (see para. 56, draft resolution II).

12. In the draft resolution the Committee recommended a gross appropriation of $3,798,912,500 (draft resolution II A) and an estimate for income (other than income derived from staff assessment) of $25,620,400 (draft resolution II B). The net expenditure for the biennium 2006-2007 is thus estimated at $3,773,292,100. The financing of the requirements is dealt with in draft resolution II C.

13. In draft resolution II B, the Committee also recommended an estimate of $401,734,800 as staff assessment for transfer in the course of the biennium 2006-2007 to the Tax Equalization Fund, from which credits are distributed to Member States in accordance with General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955.

C. Draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.12

14. At its 36th meeting, on 23 December, the Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.12, entitled "Unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 2006-2007", submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations.

15. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.12 without a vote (see para. 56, draft resolution IV).

D. Draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.13

16. At its 36th meeting, on 23 December, the Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.13, entitled "Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2006-2007", submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations.

17. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.13 without a vote (see para. 56, draft resolution V).

18. In the draft resolution, the Committee recommends that the Working Capital Fund be established at the level of $100 million.

III. Consideration of proposals on special subjects relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

19. At its 36th meeting on 23 December, the Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/60/L.27, entitled "Special subjects relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007", submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations.

A. International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO

20. The Committee considered this question at its 33rd and 36th meetings, on 19 and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.33 and 36).

21. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve resources in the amount of $26,732,000 (at the exchange rate of SwF 1.27 to US$ 1) proposed for the biennium 2006-2007 under section 13, International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. I).

B. Capital master plan

22. The Committee considered this question at its 29th and 36th meetings, on 12 and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.29 and 36).

23. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly:

(a) Recognize the urgent need to continue the implementation of the design and pre-construction phases of the capital master plan;

(b) Authorize the Secretary-General to proceed with design work, related project management and management of pre-construction services to the extent that those activities can be implemented without prejudice to the decision to be taken by the Assembly at a later stage regarding its selection of the strategy for implementation of the capital master plan;

(c) Decide to convert $8,198,000 of the existing commitment authority into an appropriation with assessment for the year 2006 so as to provide for the

continuation of design work and related project management and management of the pre-construction phase, including swing space requirements, as a minimum amount that would be required for capital master plan implementation during the first four months of 2006, irrespective of the strategy for the capital master plan to be endorsed by the General Assembly at a later stage;

(d) Also decide to revert, as a matter of priority, to the issue of the capital master plan at the first part of its resumed sixtieth session, in March 2006 (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. II).

C. Administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

24. The Committee considered this question at its 23rd, 24th, 33rd and 36th meetings, on 14 and 18 November and 19 and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.23, 24, 33 and 36).

25. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly:

(a) Concur with the recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and on the administrative and financial implications arising from the report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board;

(b) Approve expenses, chargeable directly to the Fund, totalling $91,722,700 net for the biennium 2006-2007 and a revised estimate of $89,563,100 net for the biennium 2004-2005 for the administration of the Fund;

(c) Also approve an additional amount of $1,079,000 above the level of resources set out in section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 as the United Nations share of the cost of the administrative expenses of the central secretariat of the Fund;

(d) Authorize the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board to supplement the voluntary contributions to the Emergency Fund for the biennium 2006-2007 by an amount not exceeding $200,000 (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. III).

D. Subvention requested by the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

26. The Committee considered this question at its 23rd and 36th meetings, on 14 November and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.23 and 36).

27. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly:

(a) Take note of the report of the Secretary-General on the request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute on the work

programme of the Institute for 2006-2007 and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(b) Endorse the proposal that the request for a subvention to the Institute be submitted for review and approval by the General Assembly on a biennial basis in the context of its consideration of the proposed programme budget for the related biennium;

(c) Approve the request for a subvention to the Institute of $468,100 for the biennium 2006-2007 from the regular budget of the United Nations, on the understanding that no additional provision would be required under section 4, Disarmament, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. IV).

E. Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its resumed organizational and first substantive sessions of 2005

28. The Committee considered this question at its 23rd and 36th meetings, on 14 November and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.23 and 36).

29. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly take note of the report of the Secretary-General and endorse the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in its report (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. V).

F. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council

30. The Committee considered this question at its 33rd and 36th meetings, on 19 and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.33 and 36).

31. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly:

(a) Take note of the report of the Secretary-General and endorse the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee contained in its report;

(b) Approve for the 26 missions dealt with in the report of the Secretary-General the charge of $100 million against the provision for special political missions requested under section 3, Political affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007;

(c) Decide to resume at the first part of its resumed sixtieth session its consideration of the report of the Secretary-General on the estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council;

(d) Note that an unallocated balance of $255,949,300 would remain against the provision of $355,949,300 for special political missions under section 3,

Political affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. VI).

G. Construction of additional office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa

32. The Committee considered this question at its 33rd and 36th meetings, on 19 and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.33 and 36).

33. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly take note of the report of the Secretary-General and endorse the related recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in its report (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. VII).

H. Possibility of operating guided tours, bookstores and gift shops at the United Nations Office at Nairobi and the cost implications thereof

34. The Committee considered this question at its 23rd, 24th and 36th meetings, on 14 and 18 November and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.23, 24 and 36).

35. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly request the Secretary-General to organize, effective 1 January 2006, a guided tour operation at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, and in that context also request him to report the actual income and expenditures of the guided tour operation at the United Nations Office at Nairobi in the budget performance reports for the biennium 2006-2007 under income section 3, Services to the public (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. VIII).

I. Efforts of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific in rationalization of monitoring and evaluation

36. The Committee considered this question at its 36th meeting, on 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.36).

37. At the same meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly:

(a) Welcome the efforts of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific in rationalization of monitoring and evaluation in accordance with General Assembly resolution 58/269 of 23 December 2003, especially in carrying out self-evaluation activities in a systematic and comprehensive manner;

(b) Request the Commission, in that regard, to report on its activities in this area in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. IX).

J. Workplan on reform of the Economic Commission for Europe

38. The Committee considered this question at its 36th meeting, on 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.36).

39. At the same meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly welcome the workplan on reform of the Economic Commission for Europe adopted by the Commission in its decision of 2 December 2005, decide that the Commission should implement the measures outlined in its decision, and to that end request the Secretary-General to allocate the requisite resources under section 19, Economic development in Europe, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. X).

K. Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2005

40. The Committee considered this question at its 9th, 10th and 36th meetings, on 20 and 21 October and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.9, 10 and 36).

41. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly:

(a) Decide to approve the new scale of staff assessment recommended by the International Civil Service Commission in its report with effect from 1 January 2006;

(b) Also decide to revert to the other issues contained in the report of the Secretary-General at the first part of its resumed sixtieth session (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. XI).

L. Financial viability of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research

42. The Committee considered this question at its 15th and 36th meetings, on 28 October and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.15 and 36).

43. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly:

(a) Take note of the report of the Secretary-General and of the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(b) Decide to provide the Institute with the amount of $242,400, being the equivalent of the amount of rental, maintenance and other administrative costs associated with conducting the core training programme for the biennium 2006-2007;

(c) Reiterate that in order to ensure stability of the funding for the General Fund and the viability of repaying the United Nations its debt, the Institute should systematically charge 13 per cent of programme support costs to special purpose grants whenever possible (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. XII).

M. Ethics office; comprehensive review of the governance arrangements including an independent external evaluation of the auditing and oversight systems; and the independent audit advisory committee

44. The Committee considered this question at its 36th meeting on 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.36).

45. At the same meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly:

(a) Take note of the reports of the Secretary-General and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(b) Recall its resolution 60/247 of 23 December 2005;

(c) Note that the approved resources would provide for the establishment of an ethics office and the undertaking of the evaluation study called for pursuant to paragraph 164 of General Assembly resolution 60/1 of 16 September 2005;

(d) Decide to establish the Independent Audit Advisory Committee to assist the General Assembly to discharge its oversight responsibilities and request the Secretary-General to propose its terms of reference, ensure coherence with the outcome of the ongoing review of oversight and report to the Assembly at the second part of its resumed sixtieth session on related resource requirements (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. XIII).

N. Contingency fund

46. The Committee considered this question at its 36th meeting, on 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.36).

47. At the same meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly note that a balance of $4,966,000 remains in the contingency fund (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. XIV).

O. Effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation

48. The Committee considered this question at its 36th meeting, on 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.36).

49. At the same meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly take note of the revised estimates arising from recosting due to the effects of changes in the rates of exchange and inflation (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. XV).

P. Joint Inspection Unit

50. The Committee considered this question at its 1st, 2nd and 36th meetings, on 10 and 11 October and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.1, 2 and 36).

51. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve the gross budget for the Joint Inspection Unit for the biennium 2006-2007 in the amount of $10,511,100 (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. XVI).

Q. International Civil Service Commission

52. The Committee considered this question at its 9th, 10th and 36th meetings, on 20 and 21 October and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.9, 10 and 36).

53. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve the gross budget for the International Civil Service Commission for the biennium 2006-2007 in the amount of $16,211,300 (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. XVII).

R. Jointly financed gross budget of the Department of Safety and Security

54. The Committee considered this question at its 25th, 26th and 36th meetings, on 21 and 22 November and 23 December (see A/C.5/60/SR.25, 26 and 36).

55. At its 36th meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve the gross budget for the Department of Safety and Security for the biennium 2006-2007 in the amount of $225,682,400, broken down as follows:

(a) Field security operations: $201,423,900;

(b) Security and safety services at the United Nations Office at Vienna: $24,258,500 (see para. 56, draft resolution III, sect. XVIII).

IV. Recommendations of the Fifth Committee

56. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

Draft resolution I
Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 41/213 of 19 December 1986, 42/211 of 21 December 1987, 45/248 B, section VI, of 21 December 1990, 56/253 of 24 December 2001, 58/269 and 58/270 of 23 December 2003 and 59/275, 59/276 and 59/278 of 23 December 2004, and paragraphs 161 to 167 of its resolution 60/1 of 16 September 2005,

Reaffirming the respective mandates of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Committee for Programme and Coordination in the consideration of the proposed programme budget,

Having considered the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007,[1] as well as other reports[2] and programme budget implication statements[3] of the Secretary-General and the relevant reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions[4] and the Committee for Programme and Coordination[5] thereon,

1. *Reaffirms* that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the General Assembly entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters;

2. *Also reaffirms* rule 153 of its rules of procedure;

3. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination as contained in paragraphs 61, 67 and 106 to 122 of its report;[5]

4. *Notes* that consideration of the programme narratives contained in the revised estimates[6] will follow consideration thereof by the Committee for Programme and Coordination no later than September 2006;

5. *Endorses*, subject to the provisions of the present resolution and without establishing a precedent, the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions concerning posts and non-post resources as

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[1] A/60/6 (Introduction), (Sects. 1-35), (Sect. 13)/Add.1, (Income sects. 1-3) and A/60/6/Corr.1-5.

[2] A/59/397, A/60/303, A/60/363 and A/60/537.

[3] A/60/360, A/60/396, A/60/532, A/C.5/60/12, A/C.5/60/14, A/C.5/60/15, A/C.5/60/16, A/C.5/60/17, A/C.5/60/20, A/C.5/60/21, A/C.5/60/23, A/C.5/60/24 and A/C.5/60/SR.35.

[4] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 7* and corrigendum (A/60/7 and Corr.1) and A/60/7/Add.1-5, 13 and Corr.1 and 2, 14, 15, 16 and Corr.1, 17-21, 22 and Corr.1 and 26-30 and A/C.5/60/SR.35.

[5] Ibid., *Supplement No. 16* and corrigendum (A/60/16 and Corr.1).

[6] A/60/537.

contained in chapter II of its first report on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007,[7] and the resource recommendations contained in its reports on revised estimates, including those on the 2005 World Summit Outcome,[8] and on statements of programme budget implications relating to decisions taken by the Main Committees of the General Assembly;

6. *Decides* that the staffing table for the biennium 2006-2007 shall be as set out in the annex to the present resolution;

7. *Also decides* to extend for the biennium 2006-2007 the experiment approved under paragraph 14 of General Assembly resolution 58/270, and requests the Secretary-General to report to the Assembly at its sixty-first session on the implementation of the experiment;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to utilize the arrangements referred to in paragraph 7 above to identify available posts to provide for the new post requests referred to in paragraphs IV.2, IV.28 and IV.29 of the first report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007,[7] as well as in paragraph 5 of the second report of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007;[9]

9. *Recalls* its decision in paragraph 3 (b) of its resolution 59/313 of 12 September 2005, and endorses the proposals contained in paragraph 3 of the statement of the Secretary-General on the programme budget implications of the draft resolution entitled "A strengthened and revitalized General Assembly";[10]

10. *Decides* to provide resources at the level sought by the Secretary-General in his statement of programme budget implications arising in respect of the draft resolution relating to Rwanda outreach and its amendment;[11]

11. *Recognizes* the need for limited discretion in budgetary implementation for the Secretary-General within defined parameters to be agreed by the General Assembly along with clear accountability mechanisms to the Assembly for its use, on the basis of recommendations of the Secretary-General to be provided to the Assembly at its resumed sixtieth session;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to achieve further efficiencies in non-post resources, and therefore decides to adjust non-post provisions covered in paragraph 5 above by a pro rata reduction of 1.75 per cent to be applied to all sections of the programme budget;

13. *Recognizes* that amendments to the provisions of the present resolution would stem from any decisions by the General Assembly in accordance with established procedures in response to proposals of the Secretary-General relating to paragraphs 161 to 167 of its resolution 60/1;

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[7] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 7* and corrigendum (A/60/7 and Corr.1).

[8] A/60/7/Add.5, 13 and Corr.1 and 2, 15, 17-20 and 25-32.

[9] A/60/7/Add.1.

[10] A/C.5/59/35/Rev.1.

[11] A/C.5/60/20.

14. *Decides* that the Development Account will be recosted for the biennium 2006-2007, and in this context requests the Secretary-General to pursue the relevant proposals contained in his report[12] and to provide to the General Assembly at its sixty-first session recommendations on how additional resources in the region of 5 million dollars could be added to the Development Account.

[12] A/59/397.

Annex

Staffing table for the biennium 2006-2007

Category	*2006-2007*
Professional and above	
Deputy Secretary-General	1
Under-Secretary-General	29
Assistant Secretary-General	21
D-2	90
D-1	257
P-5	745
P-4/3	2 501
P-2/1	491
Subtotal	**4 135**
General Service	
Principal level	278
Other level	2 710
Subtotal	**2 988**
Other	
Security Service	306
Local level	1 849
Field Service	183
Trades and Crafts	176
Subtotal	**2 514**
Total	**9 637**

Draft resolution II
Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

A
Budget appropriations for the biennium 2006-2007

The General Assembly,

Resolves that, for the biennium 2006-2007:

1. Appropriations totalling 3,798,912,500 United States dollars are hereby approved for the following purposes:

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Section		*Amount*
Part I.	Overall policymaking, direction and coordination	
1.	Overall policymaking, direction and coordination	74 813.5
2.	General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	586 776.2
Subtotal		**661 589.7**
Part II.	Political affairs	
3.	Political affairs	432 026.9
4.	Disarmament	20 381.1
5.	Peacekeeping operations	94 091.0
6.	Peaceful uses of outer space	5 906.8
Subtotal		**552 405.8**
Part III.	International justice and law	
7.	International Court of Justice	34 956.9
8.	Legal affairs	42 289.4
Subtotal		**77 246.3**
Part IV.	International cooperation for development	
9.	Economic and social affairs	157 930.9
10.	Least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States	5 056.8
11.	United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development	10 791.9
12.	Trade and development	111 091.6
13.	International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO	25 915.8
14	Environment	11 977.1
15.	Human settlements	17 864.5
16.	International drug control, crime prevention and criminal justice	31 527.8
Subtotal		**372 156.4**

Section		*Amount*
Part V.	Regional cooperation for development	
17.	Economic and social development in Africa	106 011.4
18.	Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	71 858.1
19.	Economic development in Europe	54 176.7
20.	Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	94 630.4
21.	Economic and social development in Western Asia	53 416.9
22.	Regular programme of technical cooperation	45 622.0
Subtotal		**425 715.5**
Part VI.	Human rights and humanitarian affairs	
23.	Human rights	83 088.4
24.	Protection of and assistance to refugees	64 645.2
25.	Palestine refugees	35 184.8
26.	Humanitarian assistance	26 140.5
Subtotal		**209 058.9**
Part VII.	Public information	
27.	Public information	177 302.5
Subtotal		**177 302.5**
Part VIII.	Common support services	
28.	Management and central support services	511 375.8
Subtotal		**511 375.8**
Part IX.	Internal oversight	
29.	Internal oversight	31 330.1
Subtotal		**31 330.1**
Part X.	Jointly financed administrative activities and special expenses	
30.	Jointly financed administrative activities	11 178.8
31.	Special expenses	92 798.0
Subtotal		**103 976.8**
Part XI.	Capital expenditures	
32.	Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance	74 841.3
Subtotal		**74 841.3**
Part XII.	Safety and security	
33.	Safety and security	190 131.4
Subtotal		**190 131.4**

Section		*Amount*
Part XIII.	Development Account	
	34. Development Account	13 954.1
Subtotal		**13 954.1**
Part XIV.	Staff assessment	
	35. Staff assessment	397 827.9
Subtotal		**397 827.9**
Total		**3 798 912.5**

2. The Secretary-General shall be authorized to transfer credits between sections of the budget with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

3. The budget for the biennium 2006-2007 amounts to 3,799 million dollars. Expected expenditure in the course of 2006 is 1,899 million dollars. The two-year budget will permit a full assessment on all Member States for 2006, in accordance with Article 17 of the Charter of the United Nations. The Secretary-General, while adhering to the existing procedures regarding the annual assessment of Member States, is authorized to enter into expenditure of a first tranche, limited to 950 million dollars, as an exceptional measure. The General Assembly, in order to ensure the availability of resources for programme delivery, will act in response to a request from the Secretary-General, at an appropriate time, for expenditure of the remaining funds;

4. The total net provision made under the various sections of the budget for contractual printing shall be administered as a unit under the direction of the United Nations Publications Board;

5. In addition to the appropriations approved under paragraph 1 above, an amount of 75,000 dollars is appropriated for each year of the biennium 2006-2007 from the accumulated income of the Library Endowment Fund for the purchase of books, periodicals, maps and library equipment and for such other expenses of the library at the Palais des Nations in Geneva as are in accordance with the objects and provisions of the endowment.

B

Income estimates for the biennium 2006-2007

The General Assembly

Resolves that, for the biennium 2006-2007:

1. Estimates of income other than assessments on Member States totalling 427,355,200 United States dollars are approved as follows:

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Income section	*Amount*
1. Income from staff assessment	401 734.8
2. General income	20 867.0
3. Services to the public	4 753.4
Total	**427 355.2**

2. The income from staff assessment shall be credited to the Tax Equalization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955;

3. Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, the sale of statistical products, catering operations and related services, garage operations, television services and the sale of publications not provided for under the budget appropriations shall be charged against the income derived from those activities.

C

Financing of appropriations for the year 2006

The General Assembly

Resolves that, for the year 2006:

1. Budget appropriations consisting of 1,899,456,250 United States dollars, being half of the appropriation of 3,798,912,500 dollars approved for the biennium 2006-2007 by the General Assembly in paragraph 1 of resolution A above, plus 47,626,700 dollars, being the increase in revised appropriations for the biennium 2004-2005 approved by the Assembly in its resolutions 59/282 of 13 April 2005, 59/294 of 22 June 2005, 60/244 of 23 December 2005 and 60/245 A of 23 December 2005, shall be financed in accordance with regulations 3.1 and 3.2 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations,[1] as follows:

(a) 22,242,700 dollars, consisting of 12,810,200 dollars, being the net of half of the estimated income other than staff assessment approved for the biennium 2006-2007 under resolution B above, plus 9,432,500 dollars, being the increase in income other than staff assessment for the biennium 2004-2005;

(b) 1,924,840,250 dollars, being the assessment on Member States in accordance with its resolution 58/1 B of 23 December 2003;

2. There shall be set off against the assessment on Member States, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the total amount of 218,242,100 dollars, consisting of:

(a) 200,867,400 dollars, being half of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the biennium 2006-2007 in resolution B above;

[1] ST/SGB/2003/7.

(b) 17,374,700 dollars, being the increase in income from staff assessment for the biennium 2004-2005 approved by the Assembly in its resolutions 59/282 of 13 April 2005, 59/294 of 22 June 2005 and 60/244 and 60/245 B of 23 December 2005.

Draft resolution III
Special subjects relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

The General Assembly,

I
International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO

Having considered the programme budget proposals for the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO for the biennium 2006-2007[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Decides to approve resources in the amount of 26,732,000 United States dollars (at the exchange rate of 1.27 Swiss francs to 1 dollar) proposed for the biennium 2006-2007 under section 13, International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007;[1]

II
Capital master plan

Recalling its resolutions 54/249 of 23 December 1999, 55/238 of 23 December 2000, 56/234 and 56/236 of 24 December 2001 and 56/286 of 27 June 2002, section II of its resolution 57/292 of 20 December 2002 and resolution 59/295 of 22 June 2005 and its decision 58/566 of 8 April 2004,

Having considered the third annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the capital master plan[3] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[4]

Having also considered the reports of the Board of Auditors[5] and of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from August 2004 to July 2005,[6]

1. *Recognizes* the urgent need to continue the implementation of the design and pre-construction phases of the capital master plan;

2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to proceed with design work, related project management and management of pre-construction services to the extent that those activities can be implemented without prejudice to the decision to be taken by the Assembly at a later stage regarding its selection of the strategy for implementation of the capital master plan;

3. *Decides* to convert 8,198,000 United States dollars of the existing commitment authority into an appropriation with assessment for the year 2006 so as to provide for the continuation of design work and related project management and management of the pre-construction phase, including swing space requirements, as a minimum amount that would be required for capital master plan implementation

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[1] A/60/6 (Sect. 13) and Add.1.
[2] A/60/7/Add.16 and Corr.1.
[3] A/60/550 and Corr.1 and 2 and Add.1.
[4] A/60/7/Add.12.
[5] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 5* (A/60/5 (Vol. V)).
[6] A/60/288.

during the first four months of 2006, irrespective of the strategy for the capital master plan to be endorsed by the General Assembly at a later stage;

4. *Also decides* to revert, as a matter of priority, to the issue of the capital master plan at the first part of its resumed sixtieth session, in March 2006;

III
Administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

Having considered the report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on the administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund,[7] the report of the Secretary-General on the administrative and financial implications arising from the report of the Standing Committee[8] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[9]

1. *Concurs* with the recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund[10] and on the administrative and financial implications arising from the report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board;[11]

2. *Approves* expenses, chargeable directly to the Fund, totalling 91,722,700 United States dollars net for the biennium 2006-2007 and a revised estimate of 89,563,100 dollars net for the biennium 2004-2005 for the administration of the Fund;

3. *Also approves* an additional amount of 1,079,000 dollars above the level of resources set out in section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination,[12] of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 as the United Nations share of the cost of the administrative expenses of the central secretariat of the Fund;

4. *Authorizes* the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board to supplement the voluntary contributions to the Emergency Fund for the biennium 2006-2007 by an amount not exceeding 200,000 dollars;

IV
Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

Recalling its resolution 59/276 of 23 December 2004,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute on the work

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[7] A/60/183.
[8] A/C.5/60/18.
[9] A/60/7/Add.7 and Add.22 and Corr.1.
[10] A/60/7/Add.7.
[11] A/60/7/Add.22 and Corr.1.
[12] A/60/6 (Sect. 1).

programme of the Institute for 2006-2007[13] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[14]

2. *Endorses* the proposal that the request for a subvention to the Institute be submitted for review and approval by the General Assembly on a biennial basis in the context of its consideration of the proposed programme budget for the related biennium;

3. *Approves* the request for a subvention to the Institute of 468,100 United States dollars for the biennium 2006-2007 from the regular budget of the United Nations, on the understanding that no additional provision would be required under section 4, Disarmament, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007;[15]

V

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its resumed organizational and first substantive sessions of 2005

Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General,[16] and endorses the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in its report;[17]

VI

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General[18] and endorses the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee contained in its report;[19]

2. *Approves* for the 26 missions dealt with in the report of the Secretary-General[18] the charge of 100 million United States dollars against the provision for special political missions requested under section 3, Political affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007;[20]

3. *Decides* to resume at the first part of its resumed sixtieth session its consideration of the report of the Secretary-General on the estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council;

4. *Notes* that an unallocated balance of 255,949,300 dollars would remain against the provision of 355,949,300 dollars for special political missions under section 3, Political affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007;

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[13] A/C.5/60/3.
[14] A/60/7/Add.8.
[15] A/60/6 (Sect. 4).
[16] A/60/396.
[17] A/60/7/Add.5.
[18] A/60/585.
[19] A/60/7/Add.24.
[20] A/60/6 (Sect. 3).

VII
Construction of additional office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa

Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General[21] and endorses the related recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in its report;[22]

VIII
Possibility of operating guided tours, bookstores and gift shops at the United Nations Office at Nairobi and the cost implications thereof

Recalling its resolution 58/263 of 23 December 2003,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General[23] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[24]

Requests the Secretary-General to organize, effective 1 January 2006, a guided tour operation at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, and in this context also requests him to report the actual income and expenditures of the guided tour operation at the United Nations Office at Nairobi in the budget performance reports for the biennium 2006-2007 under income section 3, Services to the public;[25]

IX
Efforts of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific in rationalization of monitoring and evaluation

Welcomes the efforts of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific in rationalization of monitoring and evaluation in accordance with General Assembly resolution 58/269 of 23 December 2003, especially in carrying out self-evaluation activities in a systematic and comprehensive manner,

Requests the Commission, in this regard, to report on its activities in that area in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009;

X
Workplan on reform of the Economic Commission for Europe

Welcomes the workplan on reform of the Economic Commission for Europe adopted by the Commission in its decision of 2 December 2005,[26] decides that the Commission should implement the adopted measures outlined in its decision, and to that end requests the Secretary-General to allocate the requisite resources within section 19, Economic development in Europe, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007;[27]

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[21] A/60/532.

[22] A/60/7/Add.21.

[23] A/59/793.

[24] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 7* and corrigendum (A/60/7 and Corr.1), paras. VIII.72 and VIII.73.

[25] A/60/6 (Income sect. 3).

[26] See E/ECE/1434/Rev.1.

[27] A/60/6 (Sect.19).

XI
Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2005

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General[28] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[29]

Decides to approve the new scale of staff assessment recommended by the International Civil Service Commission in its report,[30] with effect from 1 January 2006,

Also decides to revert to the other issues contained in the report of the Secretary-General[28] at the first part of its resumed sixtieth session;

XII
Financial viability of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research

Recalling its resolutions 59/252 of 22 December 2004 and 59/276, section X, of 23 December 2004,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General[31] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[32]

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General[31] and of the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[32]

2. *Decides* to provide the Institute with the amount of 242,400 United States dollars, being the equivalent of the amount of rental, maintenance and other administrative costs associated with conducting the core training programme for the biennium 2006-2007;

3. *Reiterates* that in order to ensure stability of the funding for the General Fund and the viability of repaying the United Nations its debt, the Institute should systematically charge 13 per cent of programme support costs to special purpose grants whenever possible;

XIII
Ethics office; comprehensive review of the governance arrangements, including an independent external evaluation of the auditing and oversight systems; and the independent audit advisory committee

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General[33] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[34]

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Secretary-General[33] and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[34]

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[28] A/60/421 and Corr.1.

[29] A/60/7/Add.3.

[30] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 30* (A/60/30), annex VI.

[31] A/60/360.

[32] A/60/7/Add.4.

[33] A/60/568 and Corr.1 and 2.

[34] A/60/7/Add.23.

2. *Recalls* its resolution 60/247 of 23 December 2005;

3. *Notes* that the approved resources would provide for the establishment of an ethics office and the undertaking of the evaluation study called for pursuant to paragraph 164 of General Assembly resolution 60/1 of 16 September 2005;

4. *Decides* to establish the Independent Audit Advisory Committee to assist the General Assembly in discharging its oversight responsibilities, and requests the Secretary-General to propose its terms of reference, ensure coherence with the outcome of the ongoing review of oversight and report to the Assembly at the second part of its resumed sixtieth session on related resource requirements;

XIV
Contingency fund

Notes that a balance of 4,966,000 United States dollars remains in the contingency fund;

XV
Effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates resulting from the effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation[35] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[36]

Takes note of the revised estimates arising from recosting due to the effects of changes in the rates of exchange and inflation;

XVI
Joint Inspection Unit

Approves the gross budget for the Joint Inspection Unit for the biennium 2006-2007 in the amount of 10,511,100 United States dollars;

XVII
International Civil Service Commission

Approves the gross budget for the International Civil Service Commission for the biennium 2006-2007 in the amount of 16,211,300 United States dollars;

XVIII
Jointly financed gross budget of the Department of Safety and Security

Approves the gross budget for the Department of Safety and Security for the biennium 2006-2007 in the amount of 225,682,400 United States dollars, broken down as follows:

(a) Field security operations: 201,423,900 dollars;

(b) Security and safety services at the United Nations Office at Vienna: 24,258,500 dollars.

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[35] A/60/599.
[36] A/60/7/Add.32.

Draft resolution IV
Unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 2006-2007

The General Assembly

1. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General, with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and subject to the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations[1] and the provisions of paragraph 3 below, to enter into commitments in the biennium 2006-2007 to meet unforeseen and extraordinary expenses arising either during or subsequent to the biennium, provided that the concurrence of the Advisory Committee shall not be necessary for:

(a) Such commitments not exceeding a total of 8 million United States dollars in any one year of the biennium 2006-2007 as the Secretary-General certifies relate to the maintenance of peace and security;

(b) Such commitments as the President of the International Court of Justice certifies relate to expenses occasioned by:

(i) The designation of ad hoc judges (Statute of the International Court of Justice, Article 31), not exceeding a total of 200,000 dollars;

(ii) The calling of witnesses and the appointment of experts (Statute, Article 50) and the appointment of assessors (Statute, Article 30), not exceeding a total of 50,000 dollars;

(iii) The maintenance in office for the completion of cases of judges who have not been re-elected (Statute, Article 13, paragraph 3), not exceeding a total of 40,000 dollars;

(iv) The payment of pensions and travel and removal expenses of retiring judges and travel and removal expenses and installation grant of members of the Court (Statute, Article 32, paragraph 7), not exceeding a total of 410,000 dollars;

(v) The work of the Court or its Chambers away from The Hague (Statute, Article 22), not exceeding a total of 25,000 dollars;

(c) Such commitments not exceeding a total of 1 million dollars in the biennium 2006-2007 as the Secretary-General certifies are required for security measures pursuant to section XI, paragraph 6, of resolution 59/276 of 23 December 2004;

2. *Resolves* that the Secretary-General shall report to the Advisory Committee and to the General Assembly at its sixty-first and sixty-second sessions all commitments made under the provisions of the present resolution, together with the circumstances relating thereto, and shall submit supplementary estimates to the Assembly in respect of such commitments;

3. *Decides* that for the biennium 2006-2007, if a decision of the Security Council results in the need for the Secretary-General to enter into commitments

[1] ST/SGB/2003/7.

relating to the maintenance of peace and security in an amount exceeding 10 million dollars in respect of the decision, that matter shall be brought to the General Assembly, or, if the Assembly is suspended or not in session, a resumed or special session of the Assembly shall be convened by the Secretary-General to consider the matter.

Draft resolution V
Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2006-2007

The General Assembly

Resolves that:

1. The Working Capital Fund shall be established for the biennium 2006-2007 in the amount of 100 million United States dollars;

2. Member States shall make advances to the Working Capital Fund in accordance with the scale of assessments adopted by the General Assembly for contributions of Member States to the budget for the year 2006;

3. There shall be set off against this allocation of advances:

(a) Credits to Member States resulting from transfers made in 1959 and 1960 from the surplus account to the Working Capital Fund in an adjusted amount of 1,025,092 dollars;

(b) Cash advances paid by Member States to the Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2004-2005 in accordance with General Assembly resolution 58/274 of 23 December 2003;

4. Should the credits and advances paid by any Member State to the Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2004-2005 exceed the amount of that Member State's advance under the provisions of paragraph 2 above, the excess shall be set off against the amount of the contributions payable by the Member State in respect of the biennium 2006-2007;

5. The Secretary-General is authorized to advance from the Working Capital Fund:

(a) Such sums as may be necessary to finance budgetary appropriations pending the receipt of contributions; sums so advanced shall be reimbursed as soon as receipts from contributions are available for that purpose;

(b) Such sums as may be necessary to finance commitments that may be duly authorized under the provisions of the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly, in particular resolution 60/249 of 23 December 2005 relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the budget estimates for reimbursing the Working Capital Fund;

(c) Such sums as may be necessary to continue the revolving fund to finance miscellaneous self-liquidating purchases and activities, which, together with net sums outstanding for the same purpose, do not exceed 200,000 dollars; advances in excess of 200,000 dollars may be made with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(d) With the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee, such sums as may be required to finance payments of advance insurance premiums where the period of insurance extends beyond the end of the biennium in which payment is made; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the budget estimates of each biennium, during the life of the related policies, to cover the charges applicable to each biennium;

(e) Such sums as may be necessary to enable the Tax Equalization Fund to meet current commitments pending the accumulation of credits; such advances shall be repaid as soon as credits are available in the Tax Equalization Fund;

6. Should the provision in paragraph 1 above prove inadequate to meet the purposes normally related to the Working Capital Fund, the Secretary-General is authorized to utilize, in the biennium 2006-2007, cash from special funds and accounts in his custody, under the conditions approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 1341 (XIII) of 13 December 1958, or the proceeds of loans authorized by the Assembly.